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TAGS: ENRG IZ

SUBJ: INOC UNABLE TO LIFT ITS SHARE OF BPC PRODUCTION

REF: BAGHDAD 493

1. ACTING BPC REPRESENTATIVE PETHERAM TOLD ME THAT BPC PRODUCTION IS NOW CLOSE TO 1 MILLION B/D OF WHICH INOC'S SHARE AMOUNTS TO ROUGHLY 1.7 MILLION TONS PER MONTH. DURING JULY INOC HAD ASKED BPC TO LIFT ONE MILLION TONS DURING AUG ON UNDERSTANDING THAT BPC WOULD REPAY IN KIND LATER IN YEAR WHEN MARKETING SITUATION IMPROVES. BPC HAD
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AGREED TO MAKE AUG LIFTINGS BUT HAS NOT YET ACCEPTED

STIPULATION THAT IT MUST REPAY INOC IN KIND.

2. ON AUG 21 UNDER SECRETARY OF MINPET AND INOC
DIR DR FADHIL CHALABI INFORMED PETHERAM THAT INOC
WISHED BPC TO TAKE SOME AMOUNT IN SEP AND POSSIBLY
OCT. PETHERAM EXPECTS BPC TO AGREE SINCE THIS OIL IS
PURCHASED AT TAX PAID COST OF 7.30 DOLLARS PER BARREL. BPC
WILL CONTINUE TO RESIST INOC REQ THAT IT REPAY IN KIND
LATER IN YEAR.

3. COMMENT: IT APPEARS THAT STORIES ABOUT POSSIBLE IRAQI
LIMITATION ON PRODUCTION (REFTEL ARE STILL STRICTLY FOR
PUBLIC CONSUMPTION.
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